House File 2506 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES (SUCCESSOR TO HSB 639) Passed House, Date _____ Passed Senate, Date _____ Nays ____ Vote: Ayes ____ Nays ____ A BILL FOR 1 An Act relating to child care and family support subsidy services 2 regulated or administered by the department of human services. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 4 TLSB 5381HV 82 5 jp/nh/8PAG LIN DIVISION I HOME=BASED CHILD CARE LOCATION Section 1. Section 237A.3, Code 2007, is amended by adding 1 4 the following new subsection: 5 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. The location at which the child care 6 is provided shall be a single=family residence that is owned, 7 rented, or leased by the person or program providing the child 1 8 care. For purposes of this subsection, a "single=family 9 residence" includes an apartment, condominium, townhouse, or 1 10 other individual unit within a multiple unit residential 1 11 dwelling, but does not include a commercial or industrial 1 12 building that is primarily used for purposes other than a 1 13 residence. 1 14 Sec. 2. Section 237A.3A, subsection 3, Code 2007, is 1 15 amended by adding the following new paragraph: 1 16 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. The rules shall require a child 1 17 development home to be located in a single=family residence 1 18 that is owned, rented, or leased by the person or, for dual 1 19 registrations, at least one of the persons who is named on the 1 20 child development home's certificate of registration. For 1 21 purposes of this paragraph, a "single=family residence" 1 22 includes an apartment, condominium, townhouse, or other 1 23 individual unit within a multiple unit residential dwelling, 1 24 but does not include a commercial or industrial building that 1 25 is primarily used for purposes other than a residence. 26 DIVISION II CHILD CARE RECORD CHECKS 1 27 Sec. 3. Section 237A.5, subsection 2, Code 2007, is 1 29 amended by adding the following new paragraph: 1 30 NEW PARAGRAPH. cc. If a record check performed in 1 31 accordance with paragraph "b" or "c" identifies that an 1 32 individual is a person subject to an evaluation, the 33 department shall perform the evaluation in accordance with 34 this subsection, even if the application which made the person 35 subject to the record check is withdrawn or the circumstances 1 which made the person subject to the record check are no
2 longer applicable. If the department's evaluation determines
3 that prohibition of the person's involvement with child care
4 is warnington, the provisions of this subsection regarding such 2 2 2 4 is warranted, the probabilition shall apply.

DIVISION III 2 WRAP=AROUND FUNDING 2 8 2 9 2 10 8 Sec. 4. Section 237A.13, subsection 8, Code Supplement 9 2007, is amended by striking the subsection. DIVISION IV 2 FAMILY SUPPORT SUBSIDY PROGRAM 11 Sec. 5. Section 225C.40, Code 2007, is amended by adding 2 13 the following new subsection: NEW SUBSECTION. 4. If a family appeals the termination of 15 a family member who has attained the age of eighteen years, 2 16 family support subsidy payments for that family member shall 2 17 be withheld pending resolution of the appeal.

EXPLANATION

This bill relates to child care and family support subsidy 2 20 services regulated or administered by the department of human 2 21 services (DHS).

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HOME=BASED CHILD CARE LOCATION. This division requires 2 23 child care homes and child development homes to be located in 24 a single=family residence.

Under Code chapter 237A, a "child care home" provides child 26 care to five or fewer children at any one time and is not 2 27 registered with the department of human services. A "child 28 development home" is registered with the department and may 29 provide child care to six or more children at any one time.

Code section 237A.3 is amended to require child care homes 31 to be located in a single=family residence that is owned, 32 rented, or leased by the person providing the child care. 33 single=family residence includes an apartment, condominium, 34 townhouse, or other individual unit within a multiple unit 35 residential dwelling. A single=family residence does not include a commercial or industrial building that is primarily 2 used for purposes other than a residence.

Code section 237A.3A is amended to require child 4 development homes to be located in a single=family residence 5 that is owned, rented, or leased by the person or, for dual 6 registrations, at least one of the persons named on the child 7 development home's certificate of registration. The 8 clarifications concerning the inclusion of units within 9 multiple unit residential dwellings and the commercial or 3 10 industrial building restriction applied to child care homes 11 are also applied to child development homes.

CHILD CARE RECORD CHECKS. This division relates to record 3 13 checks applicable to child care providers.

3 14 Current law under Code section 237A.5, relating to 3 15 personnel providing child care or living in a child care home 3 16 or facility, requires criminal and child abuse registry checks 17 to be conducted by DHS for a "person who is subject to a 3 18 record check". This term means the person is being considered 3 19 for licensure or registration or is registered or licensed 3 20 under Code chapter 237A, the person is being considered by a 3 21 child care facility (defined to mean a licensed child care 3 22 center or registered child development home) for employment 3 23 involving direct responsibility for a child or with access to 24 a child when the child is alone or is employed with such 25 responsibilities, the person will reside or resides in a child 3 26 care facility, the person has applied for or receives public 27 funding for providing child care, or the person will reside or 28 resides in a child care home that is not registered under the 3 29 Code chapter but that receives public funding for providing 3 30 child care.

If a record check is performed and the record indicates 32 that the person has committed a transgression, the department 33 is required to perform an evaluation to determine if 34 prohibition of the person's involvement with child care is 35 warranted. "Transgression" means the record indicates the 1 person has been convicted of a crime, has a record of having 2 committed founded child or dependent adult abuse, is listed in 3 the sex offender registry, has a record of having committed a 4 public or civil offense, or DHS has revoked a child care 5 facility registration or license due to the person's continued 6 or repeated failure to operate the child care facility in compliance with law and rules adopted pursuant to the Code 8 chapter.

The bill provides that an evaluation is required even if 4 10 the application which made the person subject to the record 4 11 check is withdrawn or the circumstances which made the person 4 12 subject to the record check are no longer applicable. If the 4 13 evaluation determines that prohibition of the person's 4 14 involvement with child care is warranted, the law regarding 4 15 such prohibition is applicable. A person who provides child 4 16 care in violation of the prohibition is subject to criminal 4 17 penalty or injunction.

WRAP=AROUND FUNDING. This division eliminates reference to 19 certain child care funding for wrap=around services provided 20 through DHS in Code section 237A.13, relating to the state 4 21 child care assistance program. The stricken subsection 22 provides that a licensed child care center or registered child 23 development home is deemed to be eligible for child care 24 wrap=around funding if the center or home previously received 4 25 the funding, meets requirements to be a shared vision program 26 except that a shared vision program is not operated in the 27 county where the center or home is located, and is providing 4 28 child care wrap=around service that is included in the plan 4 29 for the community empowerment area in which the center or home 4 30 is located. The shared visions program is administered
4 31 through the department of education to provide quality child
4 32 development programs to preschool children.
4 33 FAMILY SUPPORT SUBSIDY PROGRAM. This division relates to
4 34 family support subsidy program payment and appeal
4 35 requirements.
5 1 The family support subsidy program is administered by DHS
5 2 to assist families with a family member who is younger than 18
5 3 and has an educational disability or special health care needs
6 4 or otherwise meets the federal developmental disability
7 5 definition.
8 The bill also provides that if a family appeals the
9 7 termination of a family member who attains age 18, family
8 support subsidy payments are withheld while resolution of the
9 appeal is pending.
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